

**MINUTES OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES & TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE
Room 225 - State Capitol Building
February 16, 2004**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Stephen H. Urquhart, Chair
Rep. Glenn A. Donnelson, Vice Chair
Rep. Sheryl L. Allen
Rep. Ralph Becker
Rep. Chad E. Bennion
Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow
Rep. Ty McCartney
Rep. Michael E. Noel
Rep. Gordon E. Snow
Rep. Michael R. Styler
Rep. David Ure

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Greg J. Curtis

STAFF PRESENT: Richard North, Policy Analyst
Cherri White, Committee Secretary

NOTE: A list of visitors and a copy of handouts are filed with the committee minutes.

Representative Urquhart called the meeting to order at 4:25 P.M. and called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 13, 2004.

MOTION: Representative Bennion moved to approve the minutes of February 13, 2004. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Becker, Curtis, Styler, and Ure absent for the vote.

H.B. 341 Children's Internet Protection Act (*Rep. M. Noel*)

The sponsor introduced the bill and explained its intent.

Speaking in favor of the bill:

John Harmer, Chairman, Lighted Candle Society, Pornography Expert Witness
Jerry Ropoletto, Open Directory Project
Shelly Devrease, Women for Decency

Speaking against the bill:

Linda Wainsgarrd, Utah Library Association, Legislative Committee
Mark Rose, Concerned Parent

MOTION: Representative Ure moved to pass the bill out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Representative Becker moved to hold the bill. The substitute motion failed 3-8-1 with Representatives Becker, Goodfellow, and Styler voting in favor of the motion, and Representative Curtis absent for the vote.

The original motion to pass the bill out favorably passed 10-1-1, with Representative Becker voting against the motion and Representative Curtis absent for the vote.

H.B. 216 Internet Privacy Act (Rep. W. Harper)

The sponsor introduced the bill and explained its intent.

MOTION: Representative Ure moved to replace H.B. 216 with 1st H.B. 216. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Bennion, Curtis, Donnelson, Noel, and Styler absent for the vote.

Speaking against the bill:

Jerry Oldroyd, Ballard, Spar, Ingersol
Doug Foxley, E-Bay

MOTION: Representative Ure moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed 8-1-3 with Representative Styler voting against the motion, and Representatives Curtis, Goodfellow, and Noel absent for the vote.

H.B. 314 Consumer Protection Revisions (Rep. J. Dougall)

The sponsor introduced the bill and explained its intent.

Speaking in favor of the bill:

Jim Olsen, Utah Food Industry Association and Utah Retail Merchants Association

MOTION: Representative Styler moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Curtis, Goodfellow, and McCartney absent for the vote.

H.B. 325 Motor Vehicle Insurance Amendment (Rep. C. Bennion)

The sponsor introduced the bill and explained its intent.

Speaking in favor of the bill:

Steve Sullivan, Roberts, Debry & Associates

Speaking against the bill:

David Mortensen, State Farm Insurance
Chris Purcell, State Farm Insurance

MOTION: Representative Ure moved to amend:

1. Page 6, Line 158:

After "the injured party" insert "who is not an owner or operator of an uninsured motor vehicle"

SUBSTITUTE

MOTION: Representative Bennion moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Curtis, Goodfellow, Snow, and Styler absent for the vote.

H.B. 261 Gift Certificates - Eliminating Expiration Date (Rep. T. McCartney)

MOTION: Representative McCartney moved to delete H.B. 261 and replace it with 1st Substitute H.B. 261. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Curtis, Goodfellow, Snow, and Styler absent for the vote.

Speaking against the bill:

Jim Olsen, Utah Retail Merchants Association

MOTION: Representative Bennion moved to pass the bill out favorably. The motion passed unanimously, with Representatives Curtis, Snow, Styler, and Ure absent for the vote.

MOTION: Representative Donnelson moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously with Representatives Curtis, Snow, Styler, and Ure absent for the vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:20 P.M.

Rep. Stephen H. Urquhart, Chair